

Supplementary Materials

Supplementary Materials and Methods

Genome sequencing, assembly, and annotation

DNA was extracted from the opah muscle tissues for genome sequencing. Nanopore reads were produced using the Oxford Nanopore GridIon platform. The BGI read libraries were constructed using a TruSeq DNA PCR-Free Library Prep Kit and sequenced using the BGI MGISEQ-2000 platform. A total of 152.97 Gb of Nanopore reads and 102.03 Gb of BGI reads were generated. The BGI reads were used to estimate genome size with the k-mer method. The 17-mer depth frequency distribution was calculated using Jellyfish (Marçais & Kingsford, 2011). The predicted genome size was 1 175 Mb (**Supplementary Figure S4**). The wtdbg2 v2.4.1 program (Ruan & Li, 2020) was used to assemble the contigs. The BGI reads were mapped to the genome using BWA-MEM (Li, 2013) with default parameters. Two rounds of polishing were then performed using NextPolish v1.0 (Hu et al., 2020) based on aligned files. BUSCO (Simão et al., 2015) was used to assess genome quality and gene completeness with the library “actinopterygii_odb9”. Gene annotation was conducted using a combination of *ab initio* and homology-based methods. The *ab initio* approach was conducted using Augustus v3.2.1 (Stanke et al., 2008), SNAP (Leskovec & Susic, 2017), and GlimmerHMM (Majoros et al., 2004). For homology-based annotation, the protein sequences of *Danio rerio*, *Oryzias latipes*, and *Gadus morhua* were downloaded from Ensembl (<http://www.ensembl.org/index.html>) and aligned to the opah genome using tBLASTn (E-value \leq 1e-05) (Altschul et al., 1990). GeneWise v2.4.1 (Birney et al., 2004) was then used to identify accurate gene structures.

We extracted mitochondrial genes *COI* and *cyt b* to identify species. An EZNA[®] Tissue DNA Kit (OMEGA, Wuhan, China) was employed to extract DNA from opah muscle. The mitochondrial *COI* gene was amplified by polymerase chain reaction (PCR) using primers FishF1-COI 5' TCA ACC AAC CAC AAA GAC ATT GGC AC and FishR1-COI 5' TAG ACT TCT GGG TGG CCA AAG AAT CA. The mitochondrial *cyt b* gene was amplified by PCR using primers L14504-ND6 5' GCC AAW GCT GCW GAA TAM GCA AAG GTG and H15149-CYB 5' GCK CCT CAG AAG GAC ATT TGK CCT CA. Previously published opah *COI* and *cyt b* genes were downloaded from GenBank (accession# JF931865-JF931967) (Hyde et al., 2014) and aligned with the counterpart genes of opah from this study. Each gene set was aligned using MUSCLE and a maximum-likelihood tree was constructed in MEGA v7 (Kumar et al., 2016) with default parameters.

Phylogenetic analysis

The protein sequences of zebrafish (*Danio rerio*; accession: GRCz11), medaka (*Oryzias latipes*; accession: ASM223469v1), Atlantic cod (*Gadus morhua*; accession: gadMor3.0), platyfish (*Xiphophorus maculatus*; accession: X_maculatus-5.0-male), stickleback (*Gasterosteus aculeatus*; accession: BROAD S1), Mexican tetra (*Astyanax mexicanus*; accession: Astyanax_mexicanus-2.0), Japanese puffer (*Takifugu rubripes*; accession: fTakRub1.2), spotted gar (*Lepisosteus oculatus*; accession: Eluc_v4), Amazon molly (*Poecilia formosa*; accession: Poecilia_formosa-5.1.2), climbing perch (*Anabas testudineus*; accession: fAnaTes1.2), Nile tilapia (*Oreochromis niloticus*; accession: O_niloticus_UMD_NMBU), big-finned mudskipper (*Periophthalmus magnuspinnatus*; accession: PM.fa), and northern pike (*Esox Lucius*; accession: Eluc_v4) were downloaded from Ensembl. The protein sequences were filtered based on the longest transcripts and low-quality sequences. Orthologous groups were constructed by OrthoFinder (Emms & Kelly, 2015) using the filtered sequences. A total of 2 441 one-to-one orthologous genes in opah and 13 ectothermic fish (*Danio rerio*, *Oryzias latipes*, *Gadus morhua*, *Xiphophorus maculatus*, *Gasterosteus aculeatus*, *Astyanax mexicanus*, *Takifugu rubripes*, *Lepisosteus oculatus*, *Poecilia formosa*, *Anabas testudineus*, *Oreochromis niloticus*, *Periophthalmus*

magnuspinnatus, and *Esox lucius*) were identified. Multi-sequence alignments were generated at the protein level for the one-to-one orthologous genes using MAFFT v7.453 (Kato & Standley, 2013). Gblocks v0.91b (Castresana, 2000) was used to extract the conserved sites in the multi-sequence alignment. Based on the filtered multi-sequence alignment, we constructed a phylogenetic tree using IQ-tree v2.0.3 with default parameters (Lam-Tung et al., 2015). MCMCTREE (PAML v9.1i) (Yang, 2007) was used to estimate opah divergence times. Fossil calibration information (divergence time of *Oryzias latipes* and *Xiphophorus maculatus* is 79–107 million years, *Xiphophorus maculatus* and *Oreochromis niloticus* is 88–139 million years, *Gasterosteus aculeatus* and *Takifugu rubripes* is 99–127 million years, *Danio rerio* and *Lepisosteus oculatus* is 295–334 million years, and *Danio rerio* and *Lampris megalopsis* is 206–252 million years) was obtained from <http://timetree.org>. The end time node used was 315 million years (<http://timetree.org/>). The gamma prior for the rate for genes was set to 1, 3.565 based on substitution rates inferred using BaseML. Tracer (Andrew et al., 2018) was used to analyze the MCMC.txt file and detect ESS (Effective Sample Size) values. The ESS values were all higher than 200, indicating convergence.

Positive selection and rapid evolution analysis

The oarfish (*Regalecus glesne*; accession: GCA_900302585.1) is the closest species to opah (Malmstrøm et al., 2016), and thus we downloaded genomic data of the oarfish from the NCBI database (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/>). The corresponding oarfish genome sequence was searched against the single-copy orthologous proteins of opah using aTRAM v2.0 (Allen et al., 2018). Orthologous groups were constructed using OrthoFinder v2.2.7 (Emms & Kelly, 2015) with filtered sequences of six fish species (i.e., opah, oarfish, stickleback, medaka, Atlantic cod, and northern pike). In total, 6 119 one-to-one orthologous genes from five species (oarfish, stickleback, medaka, Atlantic cod, and northern pike) and opah were identified and compared. All orthogroups of the six species were aligned based on the coding sequences using Prank v.170427 (Löytynoja, 2014). Alignments gaps and ambiguous positions were removed using Gblocks under parameters $-t=c$ $-b5=h$ (Castresana, 2000). The base-substitution mutation rate of non-synonymous mutations is Ka and the base-substitution mutation rate of synonymous mutations is Ks . $Ka/Ks > 1$ (i.e., positive selection) indicates that most non-synonymous mutations are favorable and are evolutionarily retained, and thus positive selection is the main driving force of biological evolution. To detect positively selected genes, the branch-site model applied in CODEML (PAML v9.1i) (Yang, 2007) was used, with opah used as the foreground branch. P -values were calculated by likelihood ratio tests using a chi-square distribution. Furthermore, the false discovery rate (FDR) function in the R package was applied to correct P -values. Positive sites with an FDR-corrected P -value > 0.05 and no * significant marker (higher than 0.95) for Bayes Empirical Bayes (BEB) were filtered out. For the remaining positively selected genes, MEGA (Kumar et al., 2016) was used to visually check whether the positive selection sites were located in poorly aligned regions. Thus, 158 genes were identified as under positive selection.

To identify genes under rapid evolution, we calculated the Ka/Ks values for single-copy genes using the branch model in CODEML, with opah as the foreground branch. P -values were calculated as described above. A higher Ka/Ks ratio on the foreground branch is classified as under rapid evolution, i.e., genetic change occurs rapidly enough to have a measurable impact on simultaneous ecological change. In total, 44 genes were identified as under rapid evolution.

Gene family expansion and contraction analysis

A gene family is a set of several similar genes, formed by duplication of a single original gene and generally with similar biochemical functions. Because of the low quality of the oarfish genome, gene family expansion and contraction analysis was performed for five

species (opah, stickleback, medaka, Atlantic cod and northern pike) using Café v3.1 (Han et al., 2013). Analysis indicated that 140 gene families were expanded and 52 gene families were contracted.

Identification of candidate genes involved in endothermy

Positively selected genes, rapidly evolving genes, and expanded gene families were annotated using Kyoto Encyclopedia of Genes and Genomes (KEGG) (https://www.genome.jp/kaas-bin/kaas_main). EggNog (Huerta-Cepas et al., 2018) annotation and InterPro (Hunter et al., 2012) structural annotation results were integrated into Gene Ontology (GO) annotation, with GO enrichment analysis then performed using Ontologizer (Bauer et al. 2008). According to thermogenesis and heat preservation, the enriched candidate genes were divided into muscle differentiation and development, enhancement of muscle contractile function, metabolic energy supply, reduction of lactic acid accumulation, *Sln*-mediated thermogenesis, formation of retia mirabilia, and fat formation and metabolism. SMART (Letunic et al., 2011) was used to view gene domain information. We also applied PolyPhen-2 (Adzhubei et al. 2010) and PROVEAN (Choi & Chan, 2015) to analyze the effects of the mutation sites on proteins, and Phyre2 (Kelley et al., 2015) to predict the 3D structure.

***Ldha* expression and enzyme activity measurement**

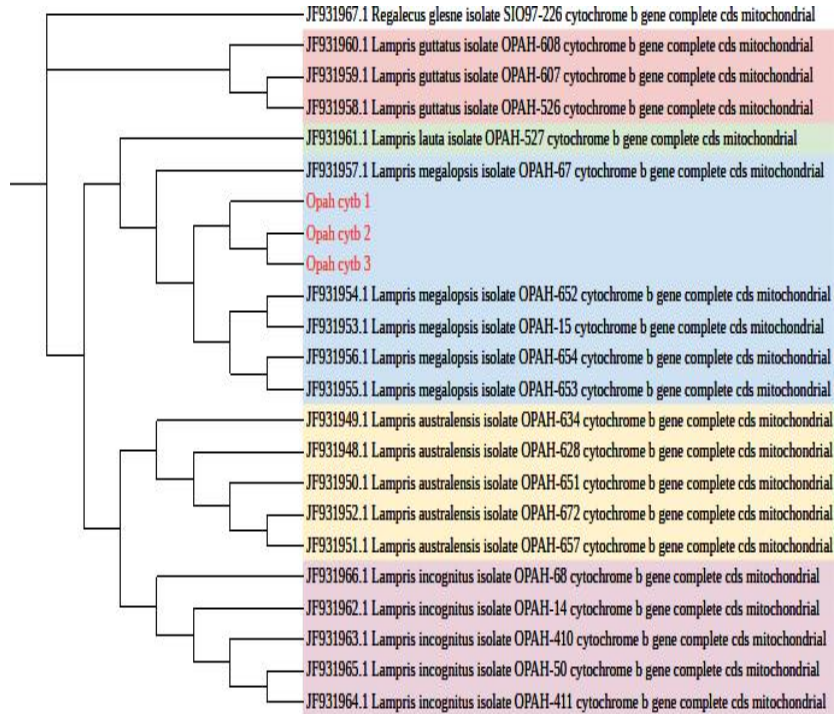
High activities of both lactate dehydrogenase (LDH) and citrate synthase (CS) in lamnid sharks compared to their ectothermic relatives (Bernal et al., 2003). At present, however, there is no relevant research on opah. Analysis showed that *Ldha* was a positively selected gene in opah. Therefore, we tested whether the positively selected sites improved LDH efficiency in opah and compared LDH enzyme activity in opah and stickleback fish.

Genes were synthesized by the Frdbio Company (Wuhan, China), including *Ldha*-opah, *Ldha*-stickleback, and *Ldha2*-opah-replace (C261V and C271V). All genes were codon-optimized based on *Escherichia coli*. Three expression vectors (Frd-HIS-opah, Frd-HIS-stickleback, and Frd-HIS-261V-271V) were constructed and transfected into *E. coli* BL21 (DE3) cells in the presence of 0.8 mM isopropyl β -D-1-thiogalactopyranoside (IPTG). We then analyzed expression by sodium dodecyl sulfate-polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis (SDS-PAGE) and purified the target protein by Sephadex. An LHD assay kit (Lai Er Bio-Tech, Hefei, China) was used to measure enzyme activity according to the manufacturer's instructions. We prepared a standard curve, and tested samples and controls. Optical density (OD) was measured at 450 nm, and enzyme activity was calculated based on the absorbance and standard curve. A *t*-test was used to analyze the data.



Supplementary Figure S1 Sample collection. Picture on left was taken onboard “PING TAI RONG 65” during opah collection. Right two pictures show Zhoushan dissection of opah muscle tissue.

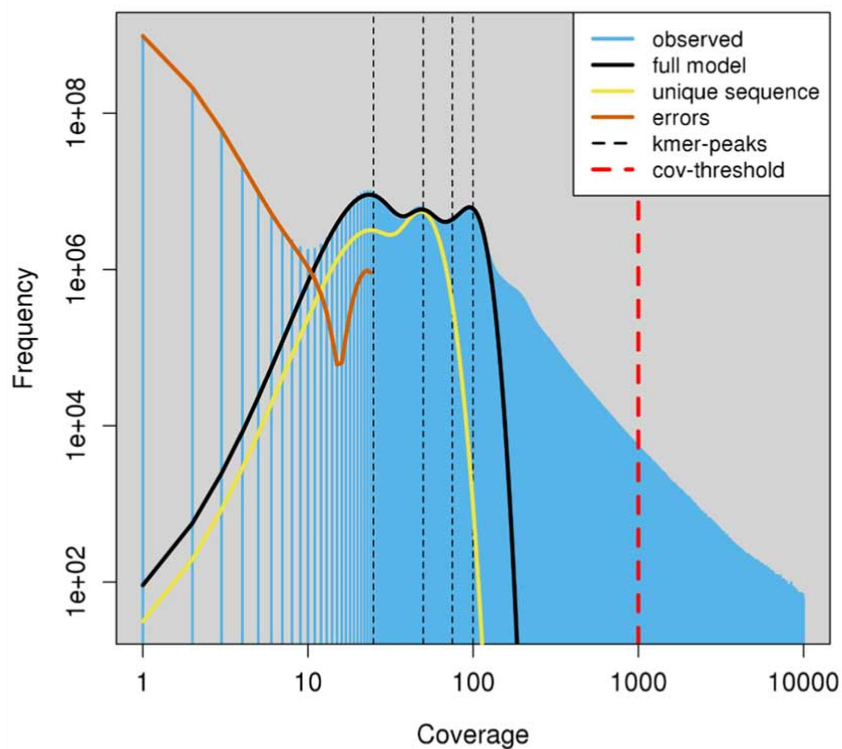
Supplementary Figure S2 Previously published opah *COI* genes (GenBank, accession# JF931865-JF931947) (Hyde et al., 2014) were aligned with counterpart genes of opah from this study. Genes were aligned using MUSCLE and a maximum-likelihood tree was constructed using MEGA v7 (Kumar et al., 2016) with default parameters. Opah from this study was clustered with *COI* set of *L. megalopsis*.



Supplementary Figure S3 Previously published opah *cyt b* genes (GenBank, accession# JF931948-JF931967) (Hyde et al., 2014) were aligned with counterpart genes of opah from this study. Genes were aligned using MUSCLE and a maximum-likelihood tree was constructed using MEGA v7 with default parameters (Kumar et al., 2016). Opah from this study was clustered with *cyt b* set of *L. megalopsis*.

GenomeScope Profile

len:1 175 395 511 bp uniq:14.2% het:1.12% kcov:24.9 err:0.194% dup:1.09% k:17



Supplementary Figure S4 Illumina reads were used to estimate genome size with Jellyfish (Marçais & Kingsford, 2011). 17-mer depth frequency distribution was calculated using k-mer method. Predicted genome size was 1 175 Mb

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Supplementary Table S1 Opah genome assembly

Term	Number
Total length	1090863164(base)
Number of contigs	12081
Number \geq 2000bp	12079
N50	590575
N90	30919
GC rate	0.383

Supplementary Table S2 Positively selected genes

ID	Gene	PAML				Description
		MA0 lnL	MA lnL	P-value	FDR	
yueyu04924	Gli1	-14451.4646	-14446.75588	0.002149325	0.045784393	zinc finger protein Gli1, ko:K16797, Hedgehog signaling pathway ko04340; reference (Cheng et al., 2010);
yueyu09933	Dcn	-3822.494326	-3816.442991	0.000503497	0.022475958	decorin, ko:K04660, TGF-beta signaling pathway ko04350; reference (Cheng et al., 2010);
yueyu20061	Paxbp1	-9262.973401	-9254.996039	0.000064876	0.005967609	PAX3- and PAX7- binding protein 1; GO:0014857 regulation of skeletal muscle cell proliferation;
yueyu08135	Unc45a	-10825.63979	-10820.6228	0.001536778	0.038320788	protein unc-45 homolog A ; GO:0030239 myofibril assembly;
yueyu02147	Unc45b	-11223.87937	-11216.10839	0.000080694	0.006620179	protein unc-45 homolog B ; GO:0030239 myofibril assembly;
yueyu01092	Tmod4	-3950.716124	-3945.27112	0.000966844	0.030290821	tropomodulin-4;GO:0030239 myofibril assembly
yueyu23591	Myom2	-17051.73007	-17044.79322	0.000195517	0.012241827	myomesin-2; GO:0030239 myofibril assembly
yueyu19087	Myom3	-10206.75232	-10201.83626	0.001714902	0.03973729	myomesin-3; GO:0030239 myofibril assembly
yueyu15403	Tcap	-2500.905762	-2496.256825	0.002294199	0.047213838	telethonin; GO:0030239 myofibril assembly
yueyu01534	M-protein	-16689.31566	-16677.74545	0.000001506	0.0000361	M-protein, striated muscle; GO:0006941 striated muscle contraction;
yueyu03865	Pdgfra	-9954.425822	-9948.577637	0.000626221	0.025687755	ko:K04363, platelet-derived growth factor receptor alpha; Calcium signaling

						pathway ko04020;
yueyu11225	Plcb	-11966.33447	-11960.99462	0.001083173	0.032235016	ko:K05858, phosphatidylinositol phospholipase C, beta; Calcium signaling pathway ko04020; Adrenergic signaling in cardiomyocytes ko04261;
yueyu09243	Phka_b	-13553.30066	-13548.77835	0.002634678	0.049819032	ko:K07190, phosphorylase kinase alpha/beta subunit; Calcium signaling pathway ko04020;
yueyu16029	Casq2	-4755.048474	-4748.386611	0.000262069	0.014361944	ko:K23445, calsequestrin 2; Calcium signaling pathway ko04020; Cardiac muscle contraction ko04260;
yueyu10204	Ldha	-3661.964172	-3657.195994	0.002014413	0.043521357	ko:K00016,L-lactate dehydrogenase;Glycolysis / Gluconeogenesis ko:00010;
yueyu04057	Dlat	-6753.411267	-6748.352391	0.00146848	0.038262412	ko:K00627,pyruvate dehydrogenase E2 component (dihydrolipoamide acetyltransferase);Glycolysis / Gluconeogenesis ko:00010; Citrate cycle (TCA cycle) ko:00020
yueyu12498	Pgm2	-6994.220413	-6990.825995	0.00917297	0.048922507	ko:K15779,phosphoglucomutase / phosphopentomutase; Glycolysis /Gluconeogenesis ko:00010;
yueyu19957	Ryr1a	-48398.14257	-48393.59461	0.002561803	N/A	
yueyu09933	Dcn	-3822.494326	-3816.442991	0.000503497	0.022475958	decorin; GO:0038084 vascular endothelial growth factor signaling pathway;
yueyu20569	Aact	-4373.093415	-4365.196512	0.000070633	0.006127894	ko:K00626, acetyl-CoA

C-acetyltransferase; Fatty acid degradation ko00071;

Supplementary Table S3 Rapidly evolving genes

ID	Gene	Foreground-branch w	Background-branch w	<i>P</i> -value	FDR	Description
yueyu06969	Mef2	0.06059	0.02921	0.002726291	0.021415316	ko:K04454,MADS-box transcription enhancer factor 2C;ko04371 Apelin signaling pathway
yueyu08607	Insig1	0.07922	0.03345	0.005914983	0.036106754	insulin-induced gene 1 protein;GO:0045444 fat cell differentiation; GO:0033993response to lipid; GO:0006633 fatty acid biosynthetic process;
yueyu04905	Ebf2	0.06192	0.02175	0.0000035	0.000191459	transcription factor COE2 isoform X1;GO:0045444 fat cell differentiation
yueyu14380	Adipor	0.10914	0.01323	0.003080246	0.023351487	ko:K07297,adiponectin receptor; ko04152 AMPK signaling pathway;ko04920 Adipocytokine signaling pathway
yueyu00168	Serca	0.05877	0.03621	0.009429217		serca1;

Supplementary Table S4 Expanded genes

ID	Gene	Divergence_size	Species_size	P-value	Description
yueyu06110 yueyu05829 yueyu05830	Htr2	1	3	0.036	ko:K04157, 5-hydroxytryptamine receptor 2; Calcium signaling pathway ko04020;
yueyu09028 yueyu00894 yueyu10159 yueyu10839 yueyu13489 yueyu14928 yueyu16454 yueyu16455	Camk2	5	8	0.021	ko:K04515, calcium/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase (CaM kinase) II; Calcium signaling pathway ko04020;
yueyu05372 yueyu05373 yueyu05374 yueyu05375 yueyu05376 yueyu15050 yueyu18181 yueyu00846 yueyu01023 yueyu06276 yueyu06280 yueyu06284 yueyu09664 yueyu09665	Igh	9	14	0	ko:K06856, immunoglobulin heavy chain; Calcium signaling pathway ko04020;

yueyu01263 yueyu17943	Ang-1	1	2	N/A	angiopoietin-1;reference (Kidoya H, 2015)
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